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ABSTRACT

The Alabama Public Library Service (APLS) is charged with improving library services throughout the state to ensure that all citizens have access to quality library and information services. Part of this charge includes the responsibility for receiving and administering federal funds to the more than 200 public libraries in Alabama. Federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) monies are spent on statewide projects at the APLS. These projects include providing reference services, interlibrary loans, audiovisual materials, continuing education programs, consultant services to the public libraries, coordination of a statewide children's summer library program, and special needs services. This document describes the use of these federal funds for 1998 library programs and services in Alabama's seven congressional districts. When public library service areas are included in two congressional districts, they are listed in each district and noted by an asterisk. The 1998 LSTA Advisory Council members, APLS Executive Board, and APLS Division Directors are listed at the end of the document. (AEF)

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This project was made possible in part by Library Services and Technology Act funds.

Library Services and Technology Act

The Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) P.L. 104-208, assists the state of Alabama in the extension and improvement of public library service throughout the state. Funds may be used for the following:

1) Establishing or enhancing electronic linkages among or between libraries;
2) Electronically linking libraries with educational, social or information services;
3) Assisting libraries in accessing information through electronic networks;
4) Encouraging libraries in different areas, and encouraging different types of libraries, to establish consortia and share resources;
5) Paying costs for libraries to acquire or share computer systems and telecommunications technologies; and
6) Targeting library and information services to persons having difficulty using a library and to underserved urban and rural communities, including children (from birth through 17) from families with incomes below the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget).

The Library Services and Technology Act provides state-administered grant funds, and in Alabama, the administration rests with the Alabama Public Library Service.

The LSTA falls within the definition of a categorical grant and it is permissive legislation in that it does not define the specific actions that must be taken in order to fulfill this mandate.

Alabama Public Library Service

The Alabama Public Library Service is charged with improving library services throughout the state to ensure that all citizens have access to quality library and information services.

Part of this charge includes the responsibility for receiving and administering federal funds to the more than 200 public libraries in Alabama.

Federal Library Services and Technology Act monies are spent on statewide projects at the Alabama Public Library Service. These projects include providing reference services, interlibrary loans, audiovisual materials, continuing education programs and consultant services to the public libraries.

Other major statewide projects funded through LSTA include the coordination of a statewide children's summer library program. In 1998, more than 57,000 children participated in the program. The agency also collects and interprets statistics and provides a professional training program to promote quality public library service through the development of professional librarians.

LSTA monies also provide library services to the institutionalized mentally ill and mentally retarded, to young adults at a youth correctional facility in Alabama and to persons served by the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind.

At APLS, the Alabama Union List of Serials, ALICAT, the state union catalog, and other technology and equipment are funded by LSTA dollars.

The following pages describe the use of these federal funds awarded for 1998 library programs and services in Alabama's seven congressional districts. When public library service areas are included in two congressional districts, they are listed in each district and noted by an asterisk.

Statewide Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Alabama Dept. of Youth Services	Children at Risk	$64,462
Alabama Dept. of Youth Services	Library Automation	$12,000
AIDB Resource Center	Programs to Improve Service/Disabilities	$14,381
Alabama Public Library Service	Net-Lending to Public Libraries	$20,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Net-Lending to University Libraries	$20,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Summer Reading Program	$20,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Regional Library-Blind and Physically Handicapped	$25,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Alabama Union List of Serials (AULS)	$22,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Administration	$30,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Professional Training Grants-Full Time	$5,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Continuing Education for Public Libraries	$40,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Strengthening the State Library Agency	$342,005
Alabama Public Library Service	Professional Training Grants-Part Time	$5,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Alabama Interlibrary Catalog (ALICAT)	$165,000

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Congressional Districts

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District One

HERBERT LEON CALLAHAN

District One includes the counties of Baldwin, Clarke (portion), Escambia, Mobile, Monroe and Washington.

LSTA-funded programs in District One include a $6,584 grant to **Loxley Public Library** to fully automate the library's services.

Also in District One, the **Flomaton Public Library** received a $3,915 grant to provide a program for children at risk in Flomaton and Escambia County. The specific programs to be implemented include after school and summer programs targeted for youths from high-risk backgrounds.

District One Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Atmore Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$4,009
Atmore Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$927
Flomaton Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$3,915
Flomaton Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$10,000
Flomaton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Grove Hill Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Loxley Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$6,584
Loxley Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$878
Orange Beach Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Oscar Johnson Memorial Library	98 Reference Materials	$878
Robertsdale Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Satsuma Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Thomas B. Norton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Thomasville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Washington County Public Library	General-Library Automation	$40,000

District Two

TERRY EVERETT

District Two includes the counties of Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Montgomery (portion) and Pike.

District Two LSTA grants include a $13,005 grant to **Troy Public Library** for library automation, including adding more computers for the public access catalog; upgrading existing systems; establishing a library local area network; developing a web page; mounting an automated catalog on the internet, adding full text periodicals and other databases and to provide stand-alone personal computers to utilize some CD-ROM titles.

Also in District Two, **Greenville-Butler County Public Library** received a $16,648 grant to help establish a resource room for use by public librarians in Butler, Crenshaw, Conceuh and surrounding counties. The resource room will provide educational and instructional materials and equipment to be used in conjunction with children's programs in libraries in the area.

District Two Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Andalusia Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$1,192
Andalusia Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Brantley Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$903
Elba Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Emma Knox Kenan Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$5,000
Emma Knox Kenan Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Enterprise Public Library	General-Library Automation	$31,510
Evergreen-Conecuh Co. Pub. Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Florala Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Greenville-Butler Co. Pub. Library	General-Children at Risk	$16,648
Luverne Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Millbrook Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$5,802
Samson Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$899
Slocomb Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Town and County Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$9,212
Town and County Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Troy Public Library	General-Library Automation	$13,005
Union Springs Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Wetumpka Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$741

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District Three

BOB RILEY

District Three includes the counties of Bibb (portion), Calhoun, Chambers, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Lee, Macon, Randolph, Russell, St. Clair, Talladega and Tallapoosa.

Projects funded in this district include a $2,931 grant to **B.B. Comer Memorial Library** to fund a six-part program designed to encourage parents of culturally deprived children to enjoy the benefits of reading and the use of technology to retrieve materials to enhance their parental skills.

Also in District Three, the **Anniston-Calhoun County Public Library** received a $3,600 grant to upgrade the automated circulation and collection management system used to provide service to the library's blind and physically handicapped users.

District Three Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Anniston-Calhoun County Public Lib	General-Programs to Improve Services/Disabilities	$3,600
Ashland City Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Ashville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
B. B. Comer Memorial Library	General-Children at Risk	$2,931
B. B. Comer Memorial Library	General-Programs to Improve Services/Disabilities	$4,128
Cheaha Regional Library	98 Reference Materials	$960
Chilton-Clanton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$928
Dadeville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Earle A. Rainwater Memorial Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Goodwater Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Horseshoe Bend Regional Library	General-Library Automation	$7,495
Jacksonville Public Library	General-Library Automation	$21,844
Lewis Cooper Jr. Memorial Library	General-Children at Risk	$5,310
Lewis Cooper Jr. Memorial Library	General-Library Automation	$5,527
Lincoln Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Lineville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Macon County-Tuskegee Pub. Library	General-Children at Risk	$12,175
Moody Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Odenville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Pell City Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Piedmont Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Ragland Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Rockford Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Springville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
St. Clair County Library	General-Library Automation	$14,793
Talladega Public Library	General-Library Automation	$19,250
*West Blocton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
*West Blocton Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$2,509
*West Blocton Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$5,500

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District Four

ROBERT ADERHOLT

District Four includes the counties of Blount, Cherokee, Cullman, DeKalb, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Lamar, Lawrence (portion), Marion, Marshall, Pickens (portion), Walker and Winston.

In District Four, **Guntersville Public Library** received an $8,354 grant to upgrade to a Windows NT operating system to more easily link to three other libraries in the county.

Another District Four LSTA project was an $11,866 grant to **Gadsden-Etowah County Public Library** to replace 17 terminals with personal computers to accommodate the new client/server technology that will allow the library to provide more than text-based data to its patrons.

District Four Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
•Aliceville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Attalla-Etowah Co. Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Blountsville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Boaz Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$3,000
Carbon Hill City Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
•Carrollton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Clyde Nix Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Collinsville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Cordova Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
•Courtland Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Crossville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Cullman County Pub Library System	General-Library Automation	$27,472
Dora Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Double Springs Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Gadsden-Etowah Co. Public Library	General-Library Automation	$11,866
•Geraldine Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
•Geraldine Public Library	General-Programs to Improve Services/Disabilities	$2,000
•Geraldine Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$5,000
•Geraldine Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$3,000
•Gordo Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Grant Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Guntersville Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$8,354
Haleyville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Kennedy Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
•Library Management Network, Inc.	General-Library Automation	$75,515
Marshall County Cooperative Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Mary Wallace Cobb Memorial Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
MCHS Community Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Millport Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Northwest Regional Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Oneonta Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
*Pickens County Cooperative Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Rainsville Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$9,112
Rainsville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Reform Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Russellville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Sulligent Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Sumiton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Weatherford Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Westside Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Winfield Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000

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District Five

ROBERT E. CRAMER

District Five includes the counties of Colbert, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence (portion), Limestone, Madison and Morgan.

District Five LSTA grants include a $66,170 grant to **Huntsville-Madison County Public Library**. The library's Outreach Department will partner with the Child Care Management Agency of North Central Alabama, the Huntsville Junior League and Alabama Public Television to develop and implement reading readiness training for parents and for those who care for young children.

Also, **Rogersville Public Library** received a $15,702 grant to automate the areas of registration, cataloging, circulation and reference, and for the purchase of a stand-alone system for interlibrary loans.

District Five Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Athens-Limestone Public Library	General-Library Automation	$7,217
Bridgeport Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Cherokee Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Courtland Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Eva Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Falkville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Geraldine Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Geraldine Public Library	General-Programs to Improve Services/Disabilities	$2,000
* Geraldine Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$5,000
* Geraldine Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$3,000
Huntsville-Madison Co. Pub. Library	General-Children at Risk	$66,170
Huntsville-Madison Co. Pub. Library	General-Programs to Improve Services/Disabilities	$26,402
Killen Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$6,541
Killen Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Leighton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Lexington Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$5,216
Lexington Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Library Management Network, Inc.	General-Library Automation	$75,515
Rogersville Public Library	General-Library Automation	$15,702
Stevenson Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Wheeler Basin Regional Library	General-Library Automation	$28,850
Woodville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000

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District Six

SPENCER BACHUS

District Six includes the counties of Bibb (portion), Jefferson (portion), Shelby and Tuscaloosa (portion).

LSTA projects in District Six include a $15,289 grant to **North Shelby County Public Library** to increase licensing and purchase equipment for four additional GALAXY online public access catalogs.

LSTA monies in the amount of $10,000 were awarded to **Harrison Regional Library System** to provide library services to the at-risk children, youth and instructors at the Shelby County Juvenile Detention Center. In addition, working with the Detention Center, the Harrison Regional Library will provide programming targeted for at-risk students at middle and high schools throughout the county.

District Six Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Adamsville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Calera Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Columbiana Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Graysville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$970
Harrison Regional Library System	General-Children at Risk	$10,000
Harrison Regional Library System	General-Library Automation	$18,000
Harrison Regional Library System	General-Library Automation	$15,000
Harrison Regional Library System	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Helena Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Hueytown Public Library	General-Children at Risk	$1,000
Lallouise F. McGraw Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Midfield Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
North Shelby County Library	General-Library Automation	$15,289
Parnell Memorial Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Warrior Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Wilsonville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
•West Blocton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
•West Blocton Public Library	SLD-Children at Risk	$2,509
•West Blocton Public Library	SLD-Library Automation	$5,500

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District Seven

EARL F. HILLIARD

District Seven includes the counties of Choctaw, Clarke (portion), Dallas, Greene, Hale, Jefferson (portion), Lowndes, Marengo, Montgomery (portion), Perry, Pickens (portion), Sumter, Tuscaloosa (portion) and Wilcox.

LSTA grants in District Seven include a $19,540 grant to **Ruby Pickens Tartt Public Library** for retrospective conversion of its card catalog and automating its circulation system.

Also in District Seven, the **Hale County-Greensboro Library** received a $3,636 grant to acquire and install equipment and software necessary to automate its collection.

District Seven Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
Akron Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$916
* Aliceville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Carrollton Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Gordo Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Hale County-Greensboro Library	SLD-Library Automation	$3,636
Hale County-Greensboro Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Hayneville/Lowndes Co. Pub. Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
James C. Poole Jr. Memorial Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Marengo County Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Marion-Perry County Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Moundville Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
* Pickens County Cooperative Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Ruby Pickens Tartt Public Library	General-Library Automation	$19,540
Ruby Pickens Tartt Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Uniontown Public Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000
Wilcox County Library	98 Reference Materials	$1,000

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